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Benton Residents Urged to Report Storm Damages to Community Development

Benton residents need to be aware that the City is responsible for keeping a list of properties damaged during the tornado and subsequent flooding. This list will be used by FEMA to authenticate the properties within the City that may be eligible for reimbursement expenses, grants or loans.

According to City Engineer Gail Mainard, the City of Benton has a very short window of time to prepare the list and provide estimates. Because of the window, which started April 14th, residents need to call Community Development as soon as possible to report their name, address, telephone number and a brief description of damages. A team of estimators will use this list to visit the property and assess the damages. Please call Patty or Jessica at 776-5938 to report damages.